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In re patent application of

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Group Art Unit: 1816

Serial No. 08/817,084

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For: CHRONIC RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS THERAPY CONTAINING IL-6  
ANTAGONIST AS EFFECTIVE COMPONENT

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 22, 1997,  
applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the  
application.

Please amend the application as follows:

In The Specification:

Page 1, after the title, insert

-- RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a 35 USC § 371 application of  
PCT/JP95/01144, filed June 7, 1995, and a continuation-in-part  
application of U.S. application Serial No. 971,997 (Atty.  
Docket No. 53466/114), filed February 21, 1997, which is a  
continuation of U.S. application Serial No. 08/268,520, filed  
June 30, 1994. <sup>abandoned</sup>

In The Claims:

Page 26, at the beginning of the claims, delete "CLAIMS"  
and insert --What is claimed is:--.

Please cancel claims 9-18 and amend the claims as follows:

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